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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
Listing is by calendar date (day/month/year)
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20/03/2015: Look for Gert, ZS6AYU to be active holiday style as A25GF from Jwaneng (WW Loc. KH22OD), Botswana, between 20-22 March. QRV on 40-10m HF, plus 6 metres, with focus on CW. Will QAP 50.097 MHz between 1500z and 1800z calling CQ from time to time just in case there is a TEP opening. While on HF Gert would like to give a 10m break for QRP stations. QSL via the SARL Bureau or direct to home call. [NG3K]

20/03/2015: A few days after his activity from the North Cooks (E51UFF), look for Jorgen LA5UF to be active from Easter Island [Isla de Pascua, Rapa Nui] (SA-001, WLOTA 0319, WWFF CEFF-0027) as CE0Y/LA5UF from approx. 20-31 March 2015. Activity will be holiday style on 40-10 metre CW, using low power and wire antennas. QSL to LA5UF direct (IRC or US$ 3). [DX-World]

20/03/2015: Igor, UA9CDC has announced that he will be active from Madeira Island (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) as CT9/UA9CDC from 20-31 March. Activity will include the Russian DX Contest (21-22 March) and the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). QSL via home call. [ATDX]

20/03/2015: Operators from Radiogrupo Sur will be active from Flores Island (SA-030) between 20-22 March 2015. QRV as CV5A, look for them on all bands and modes. Activity will include the activation of the Isla de Flores lighthouse (ARLHS URU-001, WLOTA 0528). Please QSL ONLY Direct to CX2ABC (P. O. Box 950, 11000-Montevideo, Uruguay). Please, include IRC (or 2 USD) + SASE. [DX-World]

20/03/2015: Martin, DB4BJ is currently active as FG/DB4BJ from Basse-Terre, Guadeloupe (NA-102, DIFO FG-019, WLOTA 0644) as FG/DB4BJ until 25th March. QRV on 20-10 metres, mainly PSK. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [DX-World]

20/03/2015: Look for Kazu, M0CFW to be active once again from the old German signal station, St. Brelade, isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818, WW Loc. IN89VE, WAB WV54) between 20-23 March. Focus will be on the Russian DX Contest (21-22 March) as a Single-Op entry using the callsign MJ5Z. QRV as MJ0CFW before and after the contest. QSL both calls via LoTW. QSL also OK direct to M0CFW. [QRZ.com]

20/03/2015: Babs, DL7AFS and Lot, DJ7ZG will once again be on a holiday-style DXpedition as V21ZG from Villa Sundowerns, island of Antigua (NA-100, WLOTA 1118, WW Loc. FK97CC), since 15th March and lasting a few weeks. QRV on the HF bands, mainly RTTY, PSK and SSB. QSL by the Bureau or direct via DL7AFS or LoTW. Online logsearch will be hosted by Club Log. Website: www.qsl.net/dl7afs/ [DX-World]

20/03/2015: Kiichi JF1LUT will be active from Kolonia Town, Pohnpei island (OC-010), F.S.M., as V63KI between 20-25 March, 2015. QRV on 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 metres, SSB only. Online log search will be hosted by Club Log. QSL via QRZ.com information under V63KI. [DX-World]

20/03/2015: Allen, VK9N/VK7AN and David, VK9N/VK7YUM will be active on Norfolk Island (OC-005, WLOTA 1469, WWFF VKFF-392) between 20-27th March, 2015. QRV on 40-10m, SSB and Digital modes. QSL via Bureau or direct to VK7AN or VK7YUM (addresses on QRZ.com). [DX-World]

21/03/2015: Joe, LU1FM will be active as 5J0B from the island of San Andres (NA-033, WLOTA 2990, WWFF HKFF-035, Grid Loc. EK92) from 21 March till 4 April, 2015. QRV on 160-6m SSB and Digital modes using IC-7100 transceiver with ALS 500 MRX amplifier. Antennas will be Hexbeam on 20-6m and dipoles for 160, 80 and 40m. Look for Joe to be active in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) as a Single-Op entry from CQ zone 7. QSL via home call direct (QRZ.com) or Club Log OQRS, also LoTW. [DX-World]

21/03/2015: Ampelio, IK3JBP plans activity as IK3JBP/4 from the lighthouses Po di Goro, Porto Garibaldi, (ARLHS ITA-073) and Piallazza (ARLHS ITA-176) on 21st and 22nd March 2015. This activation counts for Italian lighthouse award reference WAIL ER-007. QRV on 30 and 17 metre RTTY and PSK-31. QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [IK3JBP]

21/03/2015: Tom, DM4TK will be active from Namibia as V5/DM4TK between 21st March and 9th April 2015. Activity will be on the HF bands, SSB only. Equipment will be Icom 7100, 100W, W3DZZ and Automatic Tuner LDG Z-100 Plus. QSL direct to home call or via the DARC Bureau. [DX-World]

22/03/2015: Rich, M5RIC, will once again be active as TO4C from Ducos, island of Martinique (NA-107, DIFO FM-001, WLOTA 1041) from 22-29 March, 2015. Rich plans to be QRV on 80-10 metres, with focus on the WARC bands, using SSB and RTTY. Activity will also include a Single-Op/All Band entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). QSL via M0OXO OQRS. [DX-World]

25/03/2015: Ben, DL1RNT will be active holiday style as 8Q7NT from Embudu Island (WW Loc. MJ64SC), South Male Atoll, Maldive Islands (AS-013), from 25th March 25 until 2nd April 2015. QRV on 40-10 metre CW, RTTY and PSK using IC7100 with 100w and some vertical antenna. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [DX-World]

25/03/2015: A team consisting of Ronald PA3EWP, Hans DL6JGN, Ernoe DK2AMM and Guenter DL2AWG plan activity from Nauru (OC-031) as C21EU (callsign is pending) between 25th March and 4th April. They will stay in the Menen Hotel and QRV on 40-10m, CW/SSB/RTTY, maybe PSK. Their equipment includes two K3 and two PA 600W. For antennas they will use 5 band Spiderbeams and some verticals. Two stations running 24/7 if possible. QSL via operators' instructions. [DX-World]

25/03/2015: Hannes, OE3SGU will be active (holiday style) primarily from Luzon Island (OC-042, WLOTA 0081) as DU1/OE3SGU between 25th March and 20th April, 2015. It's possible some short activity from other DU-IOTA-references. QRV on 40-6m, mainly CW with some Digi and SSB. Logs uploaded to Club Log. QSL via LoTW/OQRS or Bureau. [DX-World]

25/03/2015: Jeff KU8E, John K4BAI and Fred WW4LL will be active as PJ4/homecall from the Bonaire Radio House, village of Rincon, island of Bonaire (SA-006, WLOTA 1279, WWFF PAFF-024) between 25th March and 2nd April. QRV on 160-6 metres, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) using the callsign PJ4Z from CQ zone 9. QSL PJ4/KU8E, PJ4/K4BAI and PJ4Z via K4BAI. QSL PJ4/WW4LL via home call. [ATDX]

25/03/2015: Great news from Din YB8RW/3 and Adhi YB3MM/p - both operators will join forces and operate from Masalembu Besar Island (IOTA OC-250) from 25-27 March 2015. If transportation is available, Masalembo Kecil and

Karamian Islands will be activated as well. These will be the first activation from these islands for Nusantara Indonesian Islands Award. QRV SSB and CW, both operators are proficient in these modes. QSL via individual operator's home call. Please support them via OQRS and paypal donation. [W2FB]

26/03/2015: Matt, DJ8OG will once again be active as CT9/DJ8OG from Santana, Madeira Island (AF-014, DIP MA-001, PIP MD-001, WLOTA 0053) between 26-30th March. His main focus will be on the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March) as a Single-Op entry, using the callsign CQ3L. Outside the contest Matt will be QRV holiday style on the HF bands. QSL via DJ6QT and LoTW. [NG3K]

27/03/2015: Joe, K5KUA will once again be QRV as K5KUA/5 from Galveston island (NA-143, USi TX-001S), Galveston county, Texas, from 27-30th March. Will be active on 40-10 metre, CW only, as time permits. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

27/03/2015: Keith GM4YXI/GM5X and Chris GM3WOJ/GM2V will be active as V6Z from Truk lagoon, Weno Island [formerly Moen] (OC-011, WW Loc. QJ57WJ), Chuuk State, F.S.M., from 27th March until 9th April, 2015. They will be QRV from the Blue Lagoon Resort which is at the extreme South of the island, with good take-offs to the main amateur population centres. They also plan a part-time M/2 entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). QSL via N3SL. Further information and updates can be found at: www.v6z2015.com/ [DX-World]

LOOKING AHEAD -

28/03/2015: Seth, 4X1DX and Zvi, 4X6FR will be active from Herzeliya, Israel, as 4X7R for the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). Plans are for a Multi-Single/High-Power entry. QSL via 4X6OM and LoTW [NG3K]

28/03/2015: Ed, WA1ZAM, will once again be active as PJ7PL from the Royal Palm Beach Resort, in Cole Bay, island of Sint Maarten (NA-105, WLOTA 0711), between 28th March and 5th April 2015, including a Single-Op/Low-Power entry in the CQWW WPX SSB Contest (28-29 March). QRV holiday style on the HF bands using CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL PJ7PL via WA1ZAM, direct only (see QRZ.com). [NG3K]

01/04/2015: Between 1st and 30th of April 2015 Bulgarian Radio Club Blagovestnik (LZ1KCP), Voynyagovo, Bulgaria, will use the special callsign LZ883PI which has been created in honour of Saint Reverend Iosif Pesnopisets. LZ883PI counts for "All Saints" award and 10 points towards "St. Teodosii Tyrnovski" award. QSL via Bureau or P.O. Box 36, 4300 Karlovo, Bulgaria. [QRZ.com]

01/04/2015: To celebrate the 90th IARU anniversary, special event station AM890CNR will be active on all HF bands, using SSB, RTTY, PSK and JT65 during the entire month of April 2015. QRV from the Santa Maria de Guia city (WW Loc. IL28ED) northwest Gran Canaria Island (AF-004, DIE S-005, WLOTA 0969 WWFF EAFF-078). QSL via LoTW and eQSL only. Sorry - no direct or Bureau. Website: www.qrz.com/db/AM890CNR [EA8CNR]

11/04/2015: Steve, VP5/VE3OC will once again be active from the island of Providenciales (NA-002, WLOTA 2003) between 11-16th April. Between scuba dives, he will be operating in vacation mode. His equipment will consist of a Icom IC-7000, Buddiepole antenna, Lithium-Ion battery for portable use on the beach and cliff sides. Steve will confirm QSO's via LoTW and eQSL, or direct... he will not QSL via the Bureau. Direct QSLing goes to VE3OC

(Stephen Gordon Woo, 56 Kerrigan Cres., Markham, ON L3R 7T9, Canada) with $3US + SAE, to cover postage and printing. [VE3OC]

17/04/2015: Sho, JA7HMZ, will again be active from the island of Pohnpei (OC-010, WW Loc. QJ96CX), Federated States of Micronesia, as V63DX between 17-25th April, 2015. QRV on 80-6 metres, all modes. QSL via home call, direct only (Shoji Igawa, 17 Shirogane-Cho Yokobori, Yuzawa-City, Akita, 019-0204, Japan). [ATDX]

08/05/2015: The DX-Interceptors Amateur Radio Club (MS0IXD) will be doing a DX-Pedition to the Isle of Man (EU-116, WLOTA 0449). Working as MT0IXD from Scarlett Point using the modes of SSB, CW and RTTY on the bands of 80-10m, WARC included. Operators Billy GM0OBX Frank MM0HST and Ross GM1KNP will be using two HF stations hopefully on air as long as possible each day. HF Station 1 - Mainly SSB: FT 1000mp, Acom Amplifer, Hexbeam (20/17/15/10). HF Station 2 - Mainly CW/DATA: IC 7200, RM Italy Amplifer, Moxon (15/12), Vertical (homebrew multi band 80-10m). QSL via LoTW and M0OXO ONLY. Club Log online search will be available. Further information and updates on their website at: www.dxinterceptors.co.uk/ [DX-World]

09/08/2015: Giovanni, IZ2DPX will be active from the Seychelles between 9-23 August 2015. QRV on 40-10 metre SSB. Callsign pending; hoped for S79DPX. Further information closer to activation date. QSL via IK2DUW. [DX-World]

14/03/2016: A DXpedition to Cocos (Keeling) Island (OC-003) between 14-26 March, 2016 is the plan for Lars LB2TB, Rune LA6YIA, Bjorn LB1GB and Morten LA9DFA calling themselves the "Dipper DXers". Using the callsign VK9CK (pending), they will operate 160-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. Focus on ATNO and 160/80m. Full details on their website soon. [DX-World]

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

20/03-31/03 CE0Y/LA5UF: Isla de Pascua WLOTA:0319 QSL H/c (d)
20/03-31/03 CT9/UA9CDC: Ilha da Madeira WLOTA:0053 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/03-22/03 CV5A: Isla Flores WLOL:URU-001 WLOTA:0528 QSL CX2ABC (d)
20/03-23/03 MJ0CFW: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL OQRS
20/03-27/03 VK9/VK7AN: Norfolk Island WLOTA:1469 QSL H/c (d/B)
20/03-27/03 VK9/VK7YUM: Norfolk Island WLOTA:1469 QSL H/c (d/B)
21/03-04/04 5J0B: Isla San Andres WLOTA:2990 QSL LU1FM (d)
21/03-22/03 EI1A: Ireland (Eire) WLOTA:2484 QSL PA3249 (d/B)
21/03-22/03 MJ5Z: Jersey Island (main) WLOTA:0818 QSL OQRS
22/03-30/06 8J760WA: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL JARL Buro
22/03-29/03 TO4C: Martinique Island WLOTA:1041 QSL M0OXO OQRS
25/03-20/04 DU1/OE3SGU: Luzon Island WLOTA:0081 QSL H/c (d/B)
25/03-02/04 PJ4/K4BAI: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/c (d)
25/03-02/04 PJ4/KU8E: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL H/c (d)
25/03-02/04 PJ4/WW4LL: Bonaire Island WLOTA:1279 QSL W2GR (d)

6 METRES & UP -

21/03-22/03 Oklahoma QSO Party 6m class 21 1300-22 1900z
21/03-22/03 Virginia QSO Party 6m-70cm classes 21 1400z-22 2400z
21/03 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 1500z-1600z
21/03-22/03 CLARA & Family Contest 6/2m classes 21 1700z-22 1700z
21/03 Feld-Hell Leprechaun Hunt Sprint 6m class 1700z-1859z
21/03-04/04 5J0B: San Andres NA-033 Grid:EK92 6m SSB/Digi QSL LU1FM (d)
22/03 FISTS Two Metre Activitiy 1000z-1100z
24/03 LY 2.4GHz & Up Activity Contest Open/CW/SSB/FM 1800z-2159z

24/03 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest Open/SO/MO 1800z-2200z
24/03 SPAC 2.4GHz & Up Contest CW/Phone/Open 1800z-2200z
24/03 The 50MHz Open Cumulative SO/MO/LP/MP/HP 1800z-2200z
24/03 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
24/03 RSGB SHF UKAC SO Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
25/03 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m class 0000z-0200z
25/03-20/04 DU1/OE3SGU: Luzon Is. OC-042 Grid:PK06 6m CW/SSB QSL H/c (d/B)

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_mar.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal
"Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

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QSL INFO -

VP8DOZ has been approved by the DXCC desk:
We have approved your request for DXCC accreditation of the VP8DOZ callsign
for contacts made with South Georgia.
Sharon Taratula
Administrative Manager
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QSLs via Bureau: J28NC, OD5/UA4WHX, RI1ANR, V51WH and VK6ISL.

QSLs via Direct: 6V1A [AF-045] (6W7JX), 6Y6N (DK9PY), B5A (BA5AG), HC2AO/8
(OQRS), HC2RCT/8 (OQRS), V73TM (K8NA), VK6ISL (VE3LYC) and XT2AW (OQRS).

QSLs via LoTW: 5Z4LS, EA7EU, G3BJ, II9P, LT7F, V5/G3TXF, VE2IR, VE3DZ,
VE3EJ, VE3KZ and VE7UF.

BITS & PIECES -

XV7BM, VIETNAM -
Toshi, JA8BMK reports that the operation of XV7BM from Nha Trang resort,
Vietnam, for March and April 2015 has been canceled due to poor lowbands
conditions.
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
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to find updated information between bulletins.
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